

Dear Mrs Chapman.

Dover, N. H. Dec. 1. 1842.

When I spoke to Wm. Phillips about an article for the Liberty Bell, it was entirely from the impulse of the moment. I had rather a vague idea of making through its pages something like an appeal to the Boston clergy. Thinking that they might possibly hear one of their own profession, or that some at least of them would be more likely to see this work, than other publications of the A. S. Society.

A little reflection however showed me, that such a communication would be much too long for the L. B., even if it were not in other respects unsuitable. and I had pretty much given up the idea of writing -

I have concluded at last as you will see to send you an article somewhat colored by what was in my mind at that time. I am afraid it <sup>is</sup> too long. If its length together with the fact of its late reception must involve any change in previous arrangements. or if its admission prevent the insertion of short spirited articles better adapted to answer the end of the publication of the volume, pray, have not the slightest hesitation in leaving it out. I need not remind you - that the duty of an editor to readers ought to stand before the desire of not offending the annual purse of correspondents. I however, at least in this case, have none which you need consult -

With sincere respect,

I am yours truly,

John Parkman

(P. S. O.)

to I am a little particular, if it is published  
about its going in as an extract from a sermon.  
- as it will then have more the appearance, of  
being written in self defence - than of being intended  
as an attack upon "the brotherhood" -  
Still if you can think of a better title, or if it  
was of any importance, I would willingly change it.  
- I am sorry to say that the article if  
my calculation is correct will occupy a little more  
than 12 pages of the I Bell. - If I had had more  
time, I could have made it a little shorter -







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